

Ruritan Publications

RURITAN magazine

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Club Kits to All Clubs Each Fall

Kits include the following:

- a. Secretary's Handbook
- b. Treasurer's Handbook
- c. Combined Officers' Handbook
- d. Community service guides
- e. Timely communications for club officers

Combined Club and District Officers' Handbook

Used by all Ruritan leaders

Ruritan Newsletter

Sent quarterly to district cabinets, National Board of Directors, and Ruritan club presidents and secretaries.

Zone Governor E- Blasts

At the beginning of each month the current national president communicates the most important Ruritan topics for the month to current zone governors so that clubs may be properly informed on issues.

Ruritan Student Program*

The Ruritan Student Program* (RS) is an effective way to honor students of all ages and introduce them to the Ruritan spirit of fellowship, goodwill, and community service. Here's how it works:

- A.** Invite a minimum of two Ruritan Students (students of any age) to become members in a club, with the club paying the initiation fee and dues for one year.
- B.** Ruritan National recommends:
 - 1) That the new members be given a formal installation and new member kit.
 - 2) That the club secretary indicates on the monthly report that club is participating in the Ruritan Student Program when the new membership is reported.
 - 3) That the new member be assigned to the **Social Development Committee.**
- C.** Work with youth as regular members to foster the Ruritan spirit of **fellowship, goodwill, and community service.**
- D.** Encourage Ruritan Students upon leaving community/club to attend college, etc., to consider transferring membership status to member-at-large.

*This differs from regular youth membership in a Ruritan club because a club adopting the Ruritan Student Program is agreeing to pay the youth initiation fees and dues for a year. Other youth members pay their own youth dues. The program recommends that a "minimum of two" students be invited so any single student feels more comfortable in the club environment.

Special Mailings to Clubs

The Ruritan National Office also mails special information to clubs on critical issues that often require immediate notice.

Growth and Development Kits

Call toll free (877) 787-8727 to request materials for club growth and development work from Ruritan National.

New Member Welcome Packet

A new member mailing is sent to all new members from the Ruritan National Office. The kit includes a membership card, window static, individual member handbook, and Ruritan brochures.

Minutes

National Board of Directors meeting minutes and Ruritan National Convention minutes are available to members on request.

Monthly Statistics

Membership statistics by district are sent to district and national officers in the quarterly Ruritan newsletters.

Annual Report

The Annual Report of Ruritan National is distributed to all national convention attendees and other members on request.

Ruritan Anniversary and Founders' Day

The first Ruritan club was organized on May 21, 1928, in Holland, Virginia. Annual celebrations commemorating Founders' Day are held in the birthplace of Ruritan. Districts and clubs are encouraged to support this event by participating in the parade and festivities.

Ruritan Week is the week in which the May 21st falls. The Sunday at the beginning of that week is Ruritan Sunday.

Many clubs plan special observances during this week. Others plan to attend church as a group on Ruritan Sunday.

Proclamations to recognize the achievements of Ruritan clubs are encouraged. Call Ruritan Supply for sample proclamation, or to order Sunday Bulletin inserts commemorating Ruritan Sunday.